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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action, mailed October 5, 2004, Applicant offers the following Amendment and requests reconsideration of the above-captioned application.